TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE





SB 1843

February 12, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the use of photo identification cards issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in this state for voting purposes.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$16,600/FY20-21

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation broadens acceptable forms of photo identification which can be utilized for voting purposes to include those issued by accredited postsecondary institutions of Tennessee.
- Based on information provided by the Secretary of State (SOS), voter guides, which contain tips and resources regarding voter registration, are printed during statewide election years and distributed to all 95 local county election commission offices.
- Voter guides printed and distributed in October 2019 state that college student identification cards are not accepted as photo identification for voting purposes.
- According to the SOS, the cost to reprint and redistribute voter guides for the 2020 statewide election year is \$16,598.
- A one-time increase in state expenditures of \$16,598 in FY20-21.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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